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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains, Associated Funerary Objects, and Unassociated Funerary Objects in the Possession of the Museum of Anthropology, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO

AGENCY: National Park Service

ACTION: Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains, associated funerary objects, and unassociated funerary objects in the possession of Museum of Anthropology, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Museum of Anthropology professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma on behalf and as authorized NAGPRA representatives of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians.

Between 1939-1950, human remains representing a minimum of six individuals were recovered from the Gumbo Point site south of the Missouri River in Van Meter State Park, Saline County, MO during archeological excavations conducted by the Missouri Archaeological Society. No known individuals were identified. The eleven associated funerary objects include pieces of brass, copper, iron, hematite; fragments of wood, cloth, glass; and soil samples from burial matrices.

The five cultural items are a small ceramic pot, a necklace of shell and glass beads, a necklace of small blue trade beads, cloth fragments, and soil samples from unidentified burials.

Based on oral tradition, types of associated funerary objects, and historical documents, these individuals have been identified as Native American. Based on the trade objects and historical documentation of this site, these burials are estimated to date

to the eighteenth century, c. 1727-1777 A.D. Records indicate the five cultural items were recovered from burials, however, the human remains with these objects cannot be identified. Oral tradition and historical documentation further indicate this site was a village site of the Missouri during the eighteenth century.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the University of Missouri-Columbia have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of a minimum of six individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the University of Missouri-Columbia have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2), the eleven objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Officials of the University of Missouri-Columbia have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2)(ii), these five cultural items are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony and are believed, by a preponderance of the evidence, to have been removed from a specific burial site of an Native American individual. Lastly, officials of the University of Missouri-Columbia have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains, associated funerary objects, and unassociated funerary objects and the the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma, the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, and the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians. Representatives of any other Indian Tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Dr. Michael J. O'Brien, Director, Museum of Anthropology, 317 Lowry Hall, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65211; telephone: (573) 882-4421, before April 15, 1999. Repatriation of the human remains, associated funerary objects, and unassociated funerary objects to the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma on behalf and as authorized representatives of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians may begin after that

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, DOI.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval to continue the collections of information under 30 CFR Parts 740 and 745 which relate to surface coal mining and reclamation operations on Federal lands and State-Federal cooperative agreements, respectively. These information collection activities were previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and assigned them clearance number 1029-0027 and -0092.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by May 17, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW, Room 210-SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtreleas@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related forms, contact John A. Trelease, at (202) 208-2783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)). This notice identified information collections that OSM will